ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A device scans its range for newly-discovered devices in a mobile ad-hoc network. Upon detecting a newly-discovered device, the two devices arbitrate how to synchronize their internal clocks. The devices then re-synchronize on schedule to enable data transmission. The devices may dynamically rearbitrate synchronization. The network as a whole is an emergent property of the peer-to-peer relationships between pairs of devices.

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